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NEBRASKA WEEKLY WEATHER AND CROP REPORT

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Week Ending 8/13/62

WEATHER Temperatures averaged near normal. The week began hot and humid, and closed cool and dry. The change to cooler came to the east on Friday and to the central and west on Saturday.

This was the driest week since early May in the west and early June in the east. Funnel clouds, hail, and high winds were scattered throughout the State Friday and Saturday nights.

CROPS Nebraska farmers experienced one of the best weeks for field work that has occurred since in early May. Rainfall was confined to local areas. Harvest of small grain is practically completed with disappointing yields from the winter wheat crop.

Corn made excellent progress with approximately 97 percent tasseled. It is about a week ahead of normal in the eastern part of the State, but near normal to a little behind schedule in the western area. Ears are developing well and temperatures have been favorable for filling. Grain sorghum is about 75 percent headed and just a little ahead of normal in the east, but somewhat behind schedule in the western half. The recent high temperatures along with dry weather speeded development of this crop, and grain prospects are excellent at the present time. Irrigation of crops, particularly corn and milo, was underway last week and there is adequate canal water as well as ground water supplies.

Soybeans have made excellent growth and are podding. Warm, dry weather is now needed with some timely rains to keep the crop coming to a bumper production. Dry beans and sugar beets were also favored by the dry weather, and farmers in the Upper Platte Valley were starting to run water on these crops. Hail and flooding have taken a toll of the acreage and reduced crop prospects.

Harvest of potatoes in the central part of the State is advancing rapidly. In the western part of the State the crop is making good progress with some of the newer varieties indicating good yields. Digging of the early crop has started.

Range and pasture feed continues in abundant supply. Harvest of the third cutting of alfalfa made good progress, and with the dry weather a better quality crop was being put up. Wild hay harvest moved along rapidly, but water has not gone down on many of the low meadows.

LIVESTOCK All livestock continue in good condition with flies continuing to be a problem in many areas. Contracting of feeder cattle showed some increased activity. Movement was confined mainly to cows and some older steers and heifers.

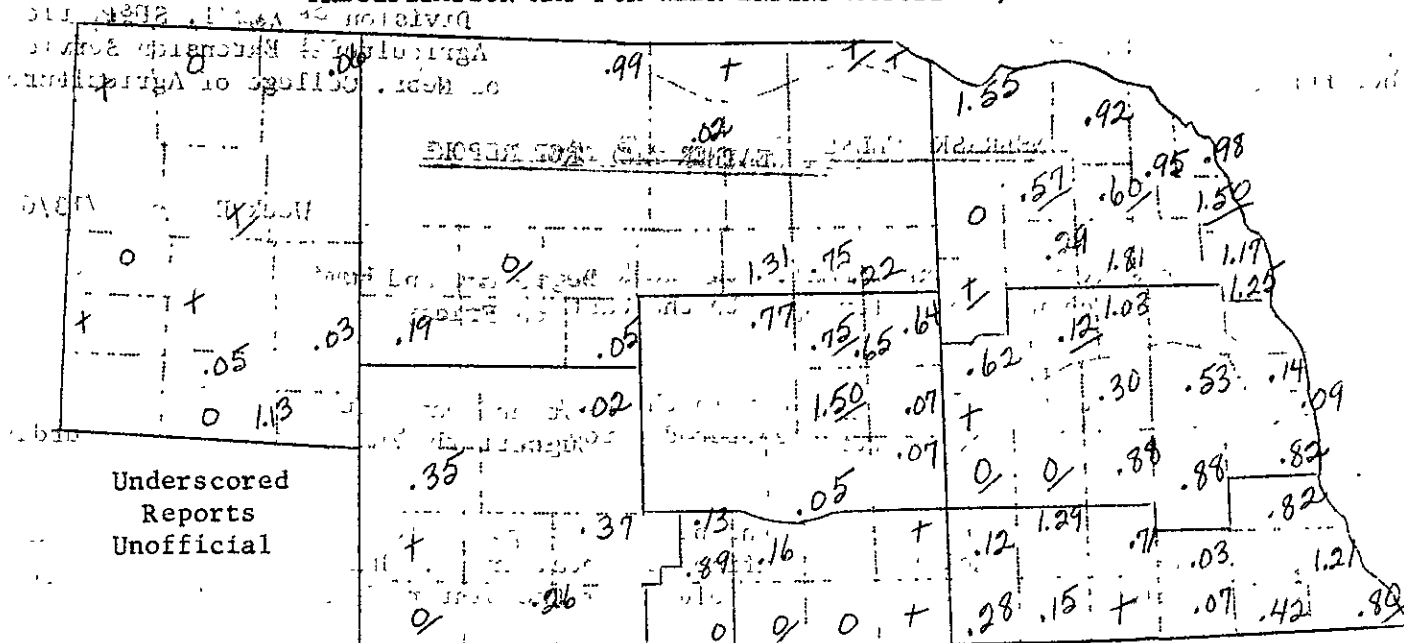
WEATHER BUREAU TELEGRAPHIC REPORT OF PRECIPITATION FOR WEEK ENDING AUGUST 13, 1962

East		Central		West	
Grand Island	T	Burwell	.45	Chadron	0
Lincoln	.78	North Platte	.02	Imperial	0
Norfolk	.07	Valentine	.95	Scottsbluff	0
Omaha	.14			Sidney	0
Sioux City	.95				

Precipitation, April 1 - August 10, 1962

	NW	NC	NE	CEN	EC	SW	SC	SE
Total past week	.10	.20	.95	.60	.55	.18	.25	.55
Total since April 1	14.24	20.23	18.63	20.64	15.46	21.71	17.39	15.65
Normal since April 1	10.32	12.26	14.13	13.20	14.96	11.18	13.40	16.08

# PRECIPITATION MAP FOR WEEK ENDING AUGUST 10, 1962



HIGHEST AND LOWEST TEMPERATURES (Highs for 24 hours ending at 12:01 a.m., and lows for 12 hours ending at 6:00 a.m., CST)

		August 7th		8th		9th		10th		11th		12th		13th	
		Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min
NW	Chadron	88	57	93	58	102	59	99	58	98	55	86	47	87	64
	Scottsbluff	84	58	91	55	97	59	94	61	92	55	84	53	87	56
	Sidney	85	57	91	58	97	63	95	57	98	53	82	55	83	55
NC	Burwell	83	55	85	--	--	66	91	66	86	63	82	51	81	--
	Valentine	85	53	91	57	100	64	97	64	95	61	80	50	80	58
NE	Norfolk	86	59	88	63	91	65	88	68	83	66	83	59	81	52
	Sioux City	90	62	90	65	91	66	90	70	85	65	83	59	80	--
CEN	Grand Island	88	57	89	67	93	67	92	70	85	64	86	54	81	55
EC	Lincoln	92	65	93	68	95	65	88	69	84	70	86	61	83	58
	Omaha	89	66	87	68	90	65	86	67	82	67	83	60	82	60
SW	Imperial	87	59	88	60	95	60	94	64	94	59	85	55	83	55
	North Platte	85	58	86	62	94	64	92	64	91	59	85	52	81	51

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